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1. Before the Korean War, the Medical Department of the Northeast Military Area controlled one central hospital, six military district hospitals (also known as army hospitals), one institution for the disabled, six veterans' schools, three pharmaceutical plants, one clinical supplies plant, seven military district pharmaceutical plants and an unknown number of other hospitals. Its organization was greatly expanded in October 1950 to meet the needs of the Korean war, and five additional main rear hospitals (including ten branch hospitals), and one Unified Command of the Anti-America, Aid-Korea Medical Service were placed under its control. The main rear hospitals receive officers and men wounded during combat in Korea. The Unified Command of the Anti-America, Aid-Korea Medical Service is also jointly controlled by the Medical Department of the Volunteer Army Headquarters (VAH); it exercises unified control over the medical units in the combat forces in Korea, the Volunteers' medical corps and the Volunteer's stretcher-bearing corps which have been recruited in various localities.
2. The military hospitals in the Northeast (including all the army hospitals, rear hospitals, hospitals of various armed force units, and medical offices of the Medical Departments of the Field Armies) have a maximum capacity of 87,000 patients. They were filled to capacity by 15 May 1951.
3. A chart and key showing the organization of the various units controlled by the Medical Department of the Northeast Military Area are attached.

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